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First Quarterly Report for FY 1955

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The rate of production by the contributing agencies during the first quarter of FY 1955 represented 70% fulfillment of the commitment for this period, which is in line generally with the first quarter production pattern of previous years in which the agencies attained the 8 NIS per year goal set by the Joint Chiefs of Staff. The Department of the Army, which fulfilled only 58% of its commitment in FY 1954, is vigorously realigning capabilities to meet this year's commitments.

During the first quarter of FY 1955 D/B continued to maintain the NIS workload on a substantially current basis. With the continued heavy flow of processed material from D/B the workload at the Special Unit, GPO, is still at an abnormally high level. However, it is expected that this workload will be reduced to a near normal operating level by mid-year.

NIS Chapter I (Brief) on NIS Area No. 7 (Denmark) was processed by D/B during the quarter and is now in the final printing phase. This is the second Chapter I completed on an area under this program, and four more of these important NIS elements are in process in the agencies.

During this quarter the NIS Committee undertook the development of a forecast of NIS production for Fiscal Years '56, '57, and '58. This forecast will provide contributing agencies with a basis for planning collection programs in areas where production is to be scheduled; and also enable them to augment or realign their capabilities as necessary to meet NIS production requirements.

The implementation of NIS procedures wherein all agencies submit drafts of NIS contributions to the field for review is resulting in gratifying improvement in overcoming the gaps and deficiencies in basic intelligence.

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